Now you can access Census Bureau information on the Internet faster and more effectively. Here's how ...

American FactFinder

American FactFinder – the newest feature on the Census Bureau's web site – helps you locate the Census Bureau data you need for the areas you want, quickly and easily.

American FactFinder lets you:

- Obtain facts about your community fast!
- Retrieve quick reports and summary tables of statistics on:
 - population
 - housing
 - industry
 - business ... all for the geographic areas of your choice!
- Search Census Bureau data and then format the results to create *customized* tabulations.
- Create reference maps to show boundaries and features for geographic entities.
- Produce quick thematic maps to reveal geographical patterns in statistical data.

American FactFinder accesses data from:



The 1990 and 2000 Decennial Censuses of Population and Housing, with vital information on the social and economic characteristics of the Nation's population and their housing.



The American Community Survey, with updates of the decennial census data collected every year.

The 1997 Economic Census, with detailed facts about the Nation's economy from the national to the local level.

Information and Contacts

- factfinder@census.gov or telephone: 301-457-4100 for American FactFinder functions and capabilities
- pop@census.gov or telephone 301-457-2422 for population data from the decennial censuses
- hhes-info@census.gov or telephone 301-457-3242 for housing, industry, occupation, and income data from the decennial censuses
- acs@census.gov or telephone 301-457-3109, 301-457-3572 for American Community Survey data
- econ@census.gov or telephone 301-457-4151 for economic census data
- tiger@census.gov or telephone 301-457-1128 for *geographic concepts*

Quick Guide to American FactFinder

www.census.gov/dads/www



Facts about My Community

Click Community Profiles to view quick facts about your city, county, or state.

Population and Housing Facts

Use these options to access population and housing data from the 1990 Census of Population and Housing, the Census 2000 Dress Rehearsal, and the American Community Survey:

- Click Quick Reports to view predefined reports for the geographic entity that you select (state, county, etc.).
- Click Summary Tables to browse or search data from the Census Bureau summary data files.
- Click Advanced Query to request data from Public Use Microdata Samples and, in the future, customized tabulations based on data from the full microdata files.

Census Bureau Products

Choose this option to view descriptions and ordering information for Census Bureau products, including CD-ROMs, computer tapes, printed reports, maps, and other publications.

Maps

Use these options to create, print, and download maps:

- ◆ Choose Reference Maps to display an area of interest for which the Census Bureau collects data (county, census tract, etc.). The map will show the area in relation to other geographic entities.
- Select Quick Thematic Maps to help you visualize the geographic patterns in statistical data using predefined selections of data.

Industry and Business Facts

Use these options to access data from the 1997 Economic Census:

- Click Industry Quick Reports to select an industry, then view the data for all the states in the United States.
- Click Geography Quick Reports to view a synopsis of the industries for the geographic entity you select.
- Click Build a Query to request data from the 1997 Economic Census summary data files.

Search FactFinder

Choose this option to find the data you want by entering keywords, topics, and products. You can also view lists and tables of contents by subject, title, media type, and geographic entity.

The left side frame displays the buttons and links for the task you want to perform. The left side frame changes with every page to help you select, search, view, print, and download the data.

- Click What's New to read announcements and discover new data as it becomes available in American FactFinder.
- Click About FactFinder for information about updates and improvements.
- Click About Help Me for information about the innovative user support in American FactFinder.

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- Click the Census Bureau logo to return to the Census Bureau home page.
- Click Main Page to return to the American FactFinder main menu.
- Click Feedback to send us your comments about American FactFinder.
- Click Help Me to view Overviews, Tasks, Tips, Tutorials, and Glossary to assist you in performing your current task.